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**In re Patent Application of:**  
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**Confirmation No.: 9909****Art Unit: 2653****Examiner: B. Q. Vuong****AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION****MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450****Dear Sir:****INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated January 24, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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